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We wish to call attention to the news items in this issue as evidence that Auburn men are leading in the work of the world. Is a college due any credit for or honor by the high standing and success of its graduates?

The Faculty Athletic Committee, under the leadership of President Thomas Bragg of the Alumni Association, has announced an immediate campaign to build a new and adequate gymnasium. The profits of the football season will form the basis of the fund. Inasmuch as the Alumni Association went

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### Gymnasium

on record last June as favoring the project

of an alumni building, the committee hopes that all graduates and former students will contribute to this fund and urge others to do so. The need, as President Thach clearly shows in a letter printed in this issue, is unquestioned and the likelihood of getting a state appropriation for this purpose at an early date is highly improbable. Even if there were a good chance, we feel that the sons of Auburn should build some monument as a gift of affection to their Alma Mater, and there is no building more suitable for them to erect than a home for Auburn athletics commensurate with the needs of our great school. This is the plan. Now is the time. Never has the organized association of graduates been more compact or more enthusiastic. Never have we sons of Auburn had more money or influence. We have always longed to give the college that gave us so much some worthy token of our love, and now, that we are amply able, we should hasten to bring our offerings, the fruits of our labor. 8,000 loyal alumni and former students and their parents and friends with a little team play, can make short work of this great scheme and still be hungry for more such tasks for Auburn.

Who has dreamed of Greater Auburn and not quivered to his heart's core with gladness? The fullest success of the College today and in the future demands an equipped building where every one of our 830 students may get the proper physical

### Greater Auburn

### Must Have It.

training. Besides our students are in demand as physical instructors. To the editor, the fact that the present building looks shabby and is not adequate to the needs of football, baseball and basketball teams, is not nearly so important as the fact that it is so woefully unequal to the problem of training the bodies of the rank and file of students. We have outgrown it and must have a larger and more modern structure. Other colleges are preparing to meet the demands of modern thought regarding the proper care of the health of their students. The graduates of the University of Georgia have already honored their Alma Mater with a magnificent gymnasium. Emory College recently built a splendidly equipped structure, the gift of loyalty. If we expect for Auburn to maintain in every way her leadership among Southern colleges we must see that she is not handicapped by poor or inadequate equipment. This is the problem. What are we going to do about it? The Alumnus believes that the Auburn spirit will "make good" and that before long Auburn will have a well appointed home for the athletic activities.



This means hard work. We should realize this fact in the beginning, but when Auburn men, profoundly determined to supply this great need of the college, get

**Tell Your** behind the movement, things are going to happen.  
**Neighbor** No manager or executive committee

can do the work. The campaign will not be a full success unless every last one of us get into the firing line. There is growing in the world a firm belief that every man who hears a good thing is under the obligation to pass it on to his neighbors. The clan call has gone forth. Let us pass it on, "that Auburn must have a new gymnasium right away," till every Auburn man has heard and has answered.

The activity of our new state superintendent of education is receiving deserved attention. Just before the Christmas holidays

**W. F. Feagin, '93.** he called together the county high school principals to confer with each other and

with the newly organized department regarding the work they are doing. During the first week in January the county superintendents met in a similar conference. Only a small number of these officials were absent and enthusiasm ran high. Astonishing progress in laboratory equipment of the high schools was reported; and many counties reported superintendents drawing salary for time given to actual supervision. At both meetings Superintendent Feagin made strong addresses on the aims and work of the State system of educational machinery, emphasizing practical training and community organization and improvement. Like his predecessor he emphasized also the necessity for local taxation, better supervision and compulsory attendance, but he further urged a fuller use of the school house and school organization in the work of community betterment, reaching old and young and embracing such practical matters as improved methods of farm work, co-operative buying and selling, sanitation, etc., as well as the course of study. His last address, "Community Organization," was published in full in the Montgomery Advertiser and will probably be published later in pamphlet form. It is a great speech and marks the beginning of a new era in Alabama educational work. Auburn men everywhere should get copies, read it, and join forces with Superintendent Feagin in the huge task he has planned for himself and for us.

The following figures, showing how many of our 830 students are taking agricultural courses, will prove interesting to our readers:

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## LETTER BOX

To Auburn Alumni and Former Students:

I am presuming to write you an urgent appeal in behalf of the movement that we have inaugurated at Auburn for the erection of a gymnasium building in keeping with the importance of our varied athletic life and in keeping with the dignity of the College. As you know, our present building is only a miserable make-shift, an eyesore to the campus, entirely unequal to the demands of 800 men—and yet the best we can get.

I am sure that the spirit of loyalty and affection for the college will incline every Auburn man to contribute, according to his ability, for the erection of such a building as we need.

The athletic authorities of the College have launched this movement, with Mr. Thos. Bragg, Faculty Manager of Athletics, as the leading spirit. We need the cordial co-operation of every one of our 8,000 old "Auburn" men, and with this mighty army working together, we can readily accomplish our ends.

The details of the campaign will be outlined from time to time, and we have already had enough assurance to guarantee the success of the movement.

The institution has had a most prosperous year in every respect—in attendance (830), in the spirit of study, and in good conduct. Especially brilliant was our football season, the most brilliant in all our records, the team being unanimously awarded the championship of the South.

With best wishes and high personal regards, I am,

Very sincerely your friend,

CHAS. C. THACH,

President.

To Auburn Alumni:

The movement recently inaugurated to secure funds for the erection of a modern and well equipped gymnasium is one which should receive the enthusiastic support of all alumni, former students and friends of Auburn.

The old Latin proverb, "Mens sana corpore sano," has lost nothing of its truth and force since the day it was first uttered, and in our own day and time, when life is so strenuous, and when so much of the time of the business and professional man is given to the pressing duties that keep him confined indoors, it is especially important that the men of the new generation shall early form the habit of devoting a proper quota of time each day to healthful physical exercise under proper conditions, with a view to carefully conserving the physical forces with which they are endowed and making possible the most advantageous use of their mental faculties. It is, therefore, particularly essential that the institutions of learning of the country should be provided with gymnasium buildings supplied with all of the necessary equipment for the healthful physical development of the young men who attend them.

Opponents of some forms of athletic contests engaged in by the colleges of the present day contend that only a certain proportion of the students engage in those games, but no such objection can be urged against the maintenance of a well equipped gymnasium, since such an institution will furnish ample and adequate facilities for proper physical exercise on the part of every student in practically every branch of physical culture and training, including gymnastics, all kinds of indoor sports, swimming, etc.

The construction of such a building at Auburn would indeed fill a long felt want, and would add immeasurably to the facilities which Auburn now affords, enabling our institution to send out young men not only well trained for the various callings they intend to pursue, but well equipped physically for the battle of life.

Auburn has waited long for the coming of this much needed addition to her equipment, and should not longer wait in vain, with almost a thousand young men yearly thronging her halls who are thus far deprived of proper facilities for the healthful training of the physical man.

It is, therefore, earnestly hoped that the appeal which is being made for funds for the construction of a modern and up-to-date gymnasium will meet with a ready and generous response from every alumnus, old student, and well wisher of Auburn.

B. B. ROSS,  
Chairman Faculty Committee on Athletics.

To the Alumni and Former Students of Auburn:

We are going to build a gymnasium at the old College and are counting on your financial support. You know we need a gymnasium. The same old structure that

was here back in your time still adorns the lower end of the old athletic field. It is as much an eyesore as ever.

At the Alumni Meeting during the Home-Coming last June the proposal that the Alumni erect a Memorial Building at their Alma Mater was fully discussed and it was unanimously decided that the Alumni should erect some kind of a building. I was authorized, as President of the Association, to name a committee to have charge of the matter and to designate just what kind of a building would be best from the standpoint of the Alumni and the College. This committee was named, and after considering the matter for some time they unanimously decided that a gymnasium was most needed and that the Alumni and friends would contribute to this building more readily than to any other, and it was decided to commence at once to solicit subscriptions from the Alumni, former students, and friends of Auburn.

It is needless for me to argue that an institution of Auburn's size and standing should any longer delay the erection of a gym. Our athletic teams for the last twenty-five years have made the name of Auburn a household word in every section of the South. The football team of 1913 won the championship of the entire South, including the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Texas. We have athletics here on a most excellent basis. The men who compose our athletic teams are bona fide students in letter and in spirit. We have made a great fight for pure, wholesome, clean sport, and have won.

Our athletic teams deserve a gymnasium; Auburn, the college, deserves a gymnasium. We can build a gymnasium if the men who love Auburn and are interested in her will come to our rescue and show their spirit and enthusiasm in a financial way by subscribing to the Gymnasium Building Fund.

THOMAS BRAGG,  
President of the Alumni Association.

"I take this opportunity to convey my appreciation of The Auburn Alumnus. It is a fine enterprise. You and your associates deserve some expression of encouragement from every old student, and I doubt not that many have given it. Certainly those of us who feel that we owe Auburn a debt of gratitude akin to the debt of affection we owe to our parents, take peculiar pride in the service rendered through this bulletin, even though we neglect to say so."—From an '02 Alumnus.

## COLLEGE NEWS

## MILITARY PROMOTIONS.

The most important promotions of the year in the military department were announced recently when 49 Sophomores were appointed corporals.

The officers rank in the order named: C. E. Newman, Coosa county; E. B. Holloway, Autauga; E. W. Smith, Lee; O. A. Jackson, Barbour; S. A. Wingard, Montgomery; H. L. P. King, Georgia; V. J. Douglass, Jefferson; G. R. Corcoran, Russell; A. E. Hayes, Jefferson; W. M. Billing, Montgomery; P. R. Smith, Jefferson; W. C. Payne, Tennessee; L. S. Davis, Mobile; J. W. Andrews, Montgomery; W. B. Persons, Montgomery; C. B. Douglas, Barbour; E. S. Gatchell, Lee; H. M. Wilson, Lee; J. D. Brown, Tennessee; C. B. McManus, Georgia; J. D. Ashcraft, Lauderdale; C. K. Bryan, Jefferson; G. R. Liddell, Wilcox; A. C. Dugger, Lee; P. J. Edwards, Morgan; L. R. Ousley, Elmore; E. M. Manning, Chilton; L. T. Wells, Pickens; H. L. Evans, Hale; W. W. Wood, Jefferson; L. P. Hodnette, Macon; E. B. Callaway, Montgomery; J. G. Woodall, Jackson; J. B. Perry, Tennessee; E. P. Taylor, Mississippi; G. A. Stewart, Coosa; W. M. Thigpen, Russell; W. H. Carter, Florida; A. P. McCrary, Georgia; G. R. Smith, Geneva; J. C. Mohns, Jefferson; E. P. McCormack, Texas; E. A. Wagner, Texas; R. H. Slader, Mississippi; E. Slager, Tennessee; W. D. Crawford, Macon; D. W. Yarbrough, Randolph; L. O. Hertz, Montgomery.

## BASKETBALL.

Basketball practice has begun and several game have been played. The men who have reported are: Clements, F. Cook, Steed, "Baby" Taylor, Forbes, Schomburg, Duran, Arnold, D. Cook and Hanson. All of last year's team have returned with the exception of Captain Lewis

Scarbrough and Rip Major. With the large number of old players on hand and with some likely looking new material to pick from, the team this year should be able to put up a good article of basketball. No captain as yet has been elected. Ed Clements is manager.

The schedule this year is a hard one, and includes not only college teams, but Y. M. C. A. and athletic club teams as well. The first game, as will be noted, is with the Columbus Y. M. C. A. Columbus has always turned out a championship or near-championship team. These club teams are the pick of the best players in the country, being in reality all-star aggregations, and it is hardly to be expected that a college team, mostly composed of men who are just learning the game, will be able to defeat or even hold them to a low score.

This year's schedule is as follows:

- January 9—Columbus Y. M. C. A. in Columbus, Ga.
- January 10—Atlanta Athletic Club, in Atlanta, Ga.
- January 16—U. of Ga., in Athens, Ga.
- January 17—Wetumpka, in Auburn, Ala.
- January 23—Birmingham Athletic Club, in Auburn, Ala.
- January 24—Montgomery Y. M. C. A., in Auburn, Ala.
- January 29—Birmingham Athletic Club, in Birmingham, Ala.
- January 31—Mercer, in Auburn, Ala.
- February 7—Tech High School, in Auburn, Ala.
- February 14—Columbus Y. M. C. A., in Auburn, Ala.
- February 20—Ga. Tech., in Atlanta, Ga.
- February 21—Mercer, in Macon, Ga.
- February 23—Tulane, in Auburn, Ala.
- February 27—Ga. Tech., in Auburn, Ala.
- February 28—University of Ga., in Auburn, Ala.
- March 6—Marion, in Marion, Ala.
- March 7—Southern University, in Greensboro, Ala.

## ALUMNI NEWS

## HOLIDAY VISITORS.

A number of alumni were in Auburn during the holidays. Some of them spent the entire Christmas here with parents or relatives. There were others whose visits were short and were made to renew old friendships and also to visit the college. The following is a list of those who were here:

C. S. Culver, '03, and Mrs. Culver, Atlanta, Ga.

- F. F. Pearce, '11, Atlanta, Ga.
- W. C. Abbott, '09, Stonewall, La.
- D. C. Rumph, '12, Marshallville, Ga.
- Julian Culver, '08, and Mrs. Culver, Melrose Highlands, Mass.
- Jeff Hamilton, '13, Atlanta, Ga.
- C. B. Glenn, '91, Birmingham, Ala.
- H. H. Smith, '93, and Mrs. Smith, Macon, Ga.
- Wray Boyd, '11, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Chas. Thach, Jr., '12, Montgomery, Ala.



Kate Hollifield, '00, Montgomery, Ala.  
 Mollie Hollifield, '02, Dothan, Ala.  
 B. M. Duggar, '91, St. Louis, Mo.  
 Thos. Beasley, '09, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Modesta Beasley, '06, Centerville, Ala.  
 E. A. Dillard, '12, Anniston, Ala.  
 Sid Boyd, '12, Montgomery, Ala.  
 Richard Drake, '07, Birmingham, Ala.  
 Phoebe Cary, '13, Camden, Ala.  
 Mrs. J. W. Moore (Jessie Floyd), '12, Birmingham, Ala.  
 R. M. Lilly, '12, Shreveport, La.  
 L. A. Scarbrough, '12, New Orleans, La.  
 J. F. Duggar, Jr., '12, Gainesville, Fla.  
 T. L. Wright, '12, Moultrie, Ga.  
 D. M. Clements, '10, Lynnville, Tenn.  
 A. M. Lloyd, '89, Atlanta, Ga.  
 C. R. Hudson, '04, Raleigh, N. C.  
 A. K. Clements, '07, and Mrs. Clements, Montgomery, Ala.  
 Hancel Caldwell, '11, Ensley, Ala.  
 Watt Rutland, '03, Corona, Ala.  
 H. T. Rutland, '10, West Point, Ga.

#### MEETING OF ALABAMA HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Alabama Association of Highway Engineers was held at Montgomery, Ala., on Saturday, January 10, 1914.

The following subjects were covered by Auburn men:

Cost Keeping in County Road Work—R. P. Boyd, '05, Assistant State Highway Engineer.

Uniform Road Regulation in Alabama—G. N. Mitcham, '97, member State Highway Commission.

R. P. Boyd, '05, was elected President of the Association.

#### SLOAN IS PROMOTED.

On December 16th, last, Matt S. Sloan, '02, for the past several years assistant to the President and General Manager of the Birmingham Railway, Light & Power Company, was promoted to the position of Assistant to the Vice-President of the New Orleans Street Railway Company. The change in positions became effective on January 1st, and Mr. Sloan has already entered upon his new work at New Orleans.

Mr. George Bullock, President of the United Gas and Electric Company, owners of the Birmingham Street Railway and other street railways in the South, made the following statement on his recent visit to Birmingham: "We consider Mr. Sloan a most valuable employee, and as the work we are giving him is broader, we think he is receiving a recognition of his capabilities. He has done splendid work here, and under Mr. Prevear, I believe he will do even more lasting things."

Since graduation Mr. Sloan's rise has been rapid, and his many friends are glad to hear of his recent merited promotion. He was a most popular student when at Auburn and took an important part in all college activities. He was a member of the '99, '00 and '01 football teams. In 1911 he married Miss Lottie Lane, daughter of Gen. James H. Lane.

#### PROF. HARE.

Dr. A. C. Johnson and Professor H. Tyron, of the University of Queensland, Australia, visited Professor R. F. Hare on Monday at State College, seeking knowledge of the prickly pear on which Professor Hare is an established authority, and who printed a book, "The Prickly Pear," through the Agricultural Department of the College a few months since. These gentlemen are making a trip through the country in search of information for the handling of the prickly pear as it is a nuisance in Australia and taking the entire uncultivated areas on which the pear plant grows from four to six feet in height and covers the ground closely, making an almost impregnable barrier to cultivation.

The University desires to inform the farming public of Australia on the matter of utilizing the pear and also to destroy its growth with a certain insect, family specimens of which were furnished them at the College. They will go on to Arizona and probably to California to study the Burbank experiments with cactus.—Rio Grande Republican, Las Cruces, N. M.

Professor Hare graduated at Auburn in 1892 and is now head Professor in Chemistry and Station Chemist at the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. He is a brother of C. L. Hare, '91, Associate Professor of Chemistry at Auburn; F. W. Hare, '98, attorney at law, Monroeville, Ala., and C. C. Hare, '94, who is engaged in farming at Lower Peach Tree, Ala.

#### MARRIAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Tarleton Collier, '07, and Miss Loretta Frances Martin were married recently at the Sacred Heart Church in Atlanta, Ga. The bride is a talented and attractive young lady of Atlanta. Mr. Collier has been making his home in Atlanta for the past two years, where he is on the staff of the Atlanta Georgian. Prior to his going to Atlanta he was with the Montgomery Advertiser. In 1911 he returned to Auburn and took his Master's degree. Mr. Kennon Perry, '11, was one of the attendants at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Collier are at home at 670 North Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Kate MacEvoy, of Birmingham, Ala., announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Emily May, to Mr. Dan S.

Martin, '01, the date being January 28th. While at Auburn Mr. Martin took a leading part in athletics and was captain of the 1900 football team. At present time he is a resident of Birmingham, and is a member of the firm of McClary-Jemison Co.

Mr. Alex. H. Clark, '98, and Miss Audrey Moyer were married during December in Washington City. Mr. Clark is secretary to Congressman Hugh Dent, and has been residing in Washington for some time.

Miss Marie Wise and Mr. James E. Livingston, Ex. '13, were married recently at Notasulga, Ala. Mr. Livingston holds a responsible position with the City Bank and Trust Co., of Mobile, Ala.

On January 4th, Miss Ollie Carothers and Mr. John Blake, '10, were married at Selma, Ala. Miss Carothers is a charming and gifted young woman and is a daughter of Mr. R. S. Carothers, of Selma. Mr. Blake, for the past two years, has been farm demonstrator in Dallas County.

Mr. Forrester M. Smith and Miss Norma McNeel were married on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, at the Methodist Church in Autaugaville, Ala. The bridal couple left immediately after the ceremony in an automobile for Montgomery, where they took a train for Florida and other points.

Lieut. Frederick Wilhelm Teague, U. S. A., and Miss Lucile Adele Weeden were married on Thursday evening, January 1, 1914, at 118 Richardson St., Grass Valley, Cal. It is stated that Mr. and Mrs. Teague will be at home after April 1st in Columbus, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Park Woodward announce the engagement of their daughter, Bessie, to Mr. Julian Chambers, '04, the wedding to take place on January 14th, in Atlanta, Ga. Since leaving Auburn Mr. Chambers completed a law course at the University of Virginia, and has been practicing law in the city of Atlanta for several years.

#### DEATHS.

Malvern Hill, a well known Atlanta lawyer, died in Atlanta on Monday, December 1st, from an attack of acute nephritis. Mr. Hill was 49 years old, was born at Newnan, Ga., and received his education at Auburn. In 1888 he married Miss Nancy McCollum, of Fayetteville, Ga. He is survived by his widow, his mother, Mrs. F. G. Hill, and two sons, Malvern, Jr., and Gordon Hill.

Mr. Hill began the practice of law in Atlanta twenty-five years ago, at first being connected with the firm of Dorsey, Brewster & Howell, and later with Andrews, Bishop & Hill. Mr. Hill was associated with the firm of Anderson, Felder, Rountree & Wilson when this firm handled the famous South Carolina dispensary

cases. He was an ex-councilman, and was at one time adjutant of the Fifth Regiment, Georgia National Guard. He opposed Nash R. Broyles in the race for recorder and lost by less than 200 votes. He ranked high in Masonic work.

The funeral services were conducted from the residence, 18 Kuhn Stret, Inman Park, and the interment took place at West View Cemetery.

On Tuesday, December 9th, E. Lane Davis, '10, died at his home at Oak Grove, Ala., from injuries received in a motor car accident. His death was especially sad as he was to have been married on December 30th to Miss Elizabeth Williamson, of South Carolina, and the young lady was addressing invitations to the wedding at the time a telegram was received notifying her of his death.

He is survived by his father and mother, two brothers, Watson and Mathew; two sisters, Misses Sarah and Margaret, and relatives. For two years after graduation, Davis taught agriculture in one of the district high schools in Louisiana, but for the past year he had been engaged in developing some land that had been cut over by the saw mills in South Alabama.

W. D. Lockhart, who was a junior in the mining course at Auburn in 1912-'13, died after a long illness at a hospital in Selma, December 6, 1913.

#### RIGGS, AUBURN '93, ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE S. I. A. A.

At the annual meeting in December of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association in Jacksonville, Fla., President W. M. Riggs, of Clemson College, '93, was elected president of that body to succeed Dr. W. L. Dudley, of Vanderbilt.

President Riggs deserves the honor. While at Auburn he was actively interested in athletics. Readers of the Alumnus will remember his picture in a football group in the last issue. For many years he has been the representative of Clemson College to the S. I. A. A., most of the time being a member of the executive committee. He has passed judgment upon most of the important questions of policy that have come before the Association in the last decade, and is probably better informed on collegiate sports in the South than any other man. His election was a unanimous commendation of his past efficiency, and under his guidance the Association will continue its good work of upholding the high standards now maintained by the colleges in the Southern intercollegiate circuit.

### DOWDELL, AUBURN '67, RESIGNS CHIEF JUSTICESHIP.

James R. Dowdell, '67, resigned as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Alabama on January 5th, 1913, on account of ill health. He will return to his home in LaFayette, Ala., where he will reside in the future.

Judge Dowdell was elected on November 8, 1910, for a period of six years, his term as Chief Justice expiring in 1916. He is 66 years of age, and he has served on the Supreme bench for about fifteen years, being elected as Associate Justice in 1898.

Judge Dowdell is a member of the "Old Guard," having graduated at Auburn in 1867. For three years after graduation he taught school. In 1869 he was admit-

ted to the bar, and in 1876 became Circuit Solicitor. Before becoming Associate Justice in 1898 he had already been Circuit Judge and Chancellor. The Advertiser says truly:

"He has been an upright and learned judge, faithfully discharging the duties of the high places to which he has been called. A man of clean life, and high ideals, his character fitted into and ornamented those stations which he occupied.

"As Judge Dowdell, prompted by a keen sense of honor, bows himself gracefully out of judicial life, his friends, and they are numbered by the tens of thousands, wish for him in the shades of private life, a recovery of his old bodily vigor, together with the blessings that belong to age, love, obedience and troops of friends."



T. D. SAMFORD, '88

On December 11, President Wilson appointed Hon. T. D. Samford, '88, U. S. Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama. He is a son of another distinguished former student of Auburn, the late Governor William J. Samford. He was born in Auburn in 1868, graduated in the Polytechnic in 1888, and served his Alma Mater as instructor for a while after graduation. He was admitted to the bar in 1892 and has practiced law in Opelika since that time.

Mr. Samford has been prominently identified with politics in Alabama for a number of years. He has been a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee and is now chairman of the Lee County Democratic Executive Committee, which place he has held for a long time. He was private secretary to the late Governor Samford.

For a number of years he was President of the Auburn Alumni Association and is widely known as a loyal alumnus.



## PERSONALS

*(Readers are urged to send in personal notes and other items for this column.)*

J. S. N. Davis, '80, is a member of the firm of Davis & Brandon, Woodbine, Ga., dealers in naval stores, cross ties, and piling.

Wilmer Calloway, '90, who for some time has been conductor on the L. & N. Railroad, Georgiana Division, has now been transferred to the main line between Montgomery and Mobile. He lives in Montgomery and says that he enjoys The Alumnus. "Duck," as Auburn men familiarly call him, is one of the most popular conductors on the road.

Dr. Frank A. Lupton, '91, was elected President of the University Club of the City of Birmingham on November 9th to succeed Hon. John L. Parker. Dr. Lupton has one of the largest medical practices in Birmingham, and is at the same time Professor in the Birmingham Medical College.

R. C. Foy, '94, captain of the Third Cavalry, U. S. Army, at the present time is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

R. H. Adams, '95, is head of the Adams Naval Stores Co., manufacturers of turpentine and rosin, at Oakdale, La.

W. A. Fitzgerald, '97, is cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank at Richland, Ga.

W. J. Nixon, '97, is general manager of the business of the Fentress Coal & Coke Co., with offices in the James building, Chattanooga, Tenn. The mines of this company are located at Wilder, Tenn.

J. O. Pinckard '97, has charge of the schools of South Houston, Texas.

Dr. R. W. Collins, '97, is practicing medicine at Houma, La.

Miss Erin Black, '98, is teaching at the Virginia Institute, Bristol, Va.

C. W. Nixon, '00, has recently been promoted by the Central Foundry Co., of Bessemer, Ala., from Southern salesman to the superintendency of their plant at the above place. Mr. Nixon has been connected with this company for a number of years.

A. M. Davis, '02, is President of the Davis Lumber Co., manufacturers of yellow pine lumber and cross ties, at Orange Heights, Fla.

W. W. Rutland, '03, who has been the Methodist minister at Gurley, Ala., was recently transferred by the North Alabama Conference to Corona, Ala.

T. J. Dowdell, '03, has removed from Washington, D. C., to Montgomery, Ala., where he expects to engage in the practice of law. Since leaving Auburn he has secured a degree from the law department of Georgetown University and for the past several years he has held a responsible position in the Congressional Library at Washington.

J. D. Hudson, '04, is president of the Hudson Hardware Company at LaCrange, Ga.

L. P. Hall, '04, is a member of the firm of Julius Friend, Edward M. Lewi Co., real estate brokers, 1133 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

J. L. Murphy, '04, and E. O. Baldwin are engaged in the practice of law at Andalusia, Ala.

Dr. John M. Wilson, '04, has been practicing medicine for a number of years in Mobile. He has one of the largest surgical practices in that city.

A. D. Cameron, '04, who is with Geo. M. Forman & Co., McCormick building, Chicago, Ill., visited Auburn recently. He was accompanied by Mrs. Cameron.

C. L. Nelson, '05, is doing engineering work at Lock 2, Tombigbee river, Pennington, Ala.

James A. Buchan, '05, who, for the past year or so, has been manager of the business of the Royal Typewriter Co., at its Los Angeles, Cal.; office, has been transferred to their Memphis, Tenn., office.

Edwin A. Harris, '07, is with R. B. Davis Co., manufacturers of phosphatic food products, baking powder, starch, etc., Hoboken, N. J. He lives at 419 Lincoln Ave., Orange, N. J.

F. Roy Duncan, '07, who for the past two years has been connected with the offices of the chief engineer of the Panama Canal as electrical engineer and architect, has located in Columbus, Ga., with offices in the Gilbert building. Prior to his going on the canal he spent some time at the works of the Westinghouse Electrical and Manufacturing Co., Pittsburg, Pa. In his electrical work Duncan will make a specialty of illumination, power plants, and special investigation and reports. He will devote his architectural work largely to residences, including bungalows, apartment houses, and office buildings.

S. A. Ellsberry, '08, is a member of the firm of R. B. Everett & Co., dealers in contractors equipment and building materials. The other members of the firm are R. B. Everett, '08, and Mr. Carl I. Bradt. Ellsberry has charge of the firm's Dallas, Texas, office and Everett has charge of the Houston, office.

J. F. McLure, '08, is located at Lantana, Fla., where he is doing some drainage work for the Palm Beach Farms Company. Before going to Florida he was engaged in building a transmission line at Montreal, Canada, for the Cedar Rapids Power Co.

O. D. Whitaker, '08, is superintendent for the Montgomery Coal Washing and Manufacturing Co., Birmingham, Ala.

C. P. Ilges, '09, is chemist for the Standard Phosphate Co., Christina, Florida.

C. A. Young, '09, is principal of the Seventeenth Avenue School in Birmingham, Ala. Since leaving Auburn, Young has completed the work required of and has received the degree Master of Arts from Columbia University, New York, and will receive his Master's degree from the Teachers' College in February next. His work at Columbia was devoted largely to the subjects of Psychology, History, Philosophy of Education, and Educational Administration.

J. T. Pearson, '09, is with the Detroit, Michigan office of the Westinghouse Lamp Co.

J. J. Taylor, '10, is assistant chemist in the Georgia State Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

B. T. Collier, '10, is a civil engineer at West Point, Miss.

C. R. Allen, '10, is connected with the brokerage firm of John T. Leonard & Co., dealers in sugar, provisions, flour and grain, Charleston, S. C.

A. S. Noble, '10, is general manager of the Central Alabama Construction Co., DeFuniak Fla. A. L. Byrd, '10, is also connected with this firm. This company does a general contracting business in the way of taking municipal contracts, building roads, bridges, etc.

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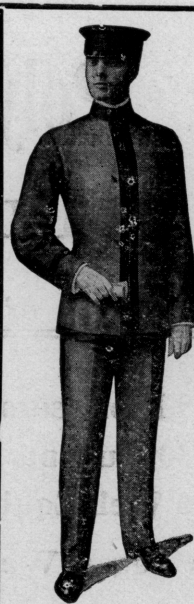


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